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TITLE (AMENDED): A MICROORGANISM STRAIN TRANSFORMED WITH  
THE *Escherichia coli yfiK* GENE FOR THE  
PRODUCTION OF AMINO ACIDS

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the First Office Action dated  
February 17, 2005, with the time for reply having been  
extended for two (2) months, from MAY 17, 2005 until JULY 17,  
2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as  
follows.

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